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PREPARATION OF IRON COMPOUNDS }  
BY HYDROTHERMAL CONVERSION }

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**RESPONSE**

This is in response to an Office Action mailed in the above application on January 19, 2006. A petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time to reply is enclosed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on Page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on Page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on Page 8 of this Response.